



World Cynosport® (WCRL) Sanctioned Rally Obedience Trial

Saturday and Sunday- September 30th- October 1st, 2017

This is a titling event under World Cynosport Rally rules and regulations.

Open to all dogs of any breed – including mixed breeds

Judges

Amee Abel, Barb Burri, Nancy McDonald and Rachel Brostrom

Host & Location

Monadnock Humane Society

101 West Swanzey Road

Swanzey, NH 03446

www.monadnockhumanesociety.org

Trial held indoors on Top Dog rubber flooring- Indoor Crating

Contact: Rachel Brostrom

raejayaussie@hotmail.com or 978-602-3600

Entries open July 31st, 2017 (by postmark date)

Entries must be received no later than September 15th, 2017

Entries submitted via FedEx or Express Mail will be accepted only if the signature waiver is signed.

Closing Date: September 15th, 2017 late entries may be accepted provided there is space in the trial.

Day of Show entries are normally not accepted.

TRIAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 30th, 2017	
Trial 1 ▪ Runs to begin-8:00 a.m. Class Order: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Veterans All Classes Judged by Amee Abel	Trial 2 ▪ Runs to begin no earlier than 1:00 p.m. Class Order: Level 1, Veterans, Level 2, Level 3 All Classes Judged by Barb Burri
Sunday-October 1st, 2017	
Trial 1 ▪ Runs to begin-8:00 a.m. Class Order: Level 1, Puppy/Intro, Level 2, Level 3 Level 1, Puppy/Intro, Level 2: Judged by Nancy McDonald Level 3: Judged by Rachel Brostrom	Trial 2 ▪ To begin immediately following Trial 1 Class Order: Puppy/Intro, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 Level 1, Puppy/Intro, Level 2: Judged by Nancy McDonald Level 3: Judged by Rachel Brostrom

***All proceeds from this trial directly benefit animals at the Monadnock Humane Society**

Trial Committee

Trial Chairperson:

Amee Abel
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603-325-2869

Trial Secretary:

Rachel Brostrom
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978-602-3600 (no calls after 8pm please)

Committee: Amee Abel, Rachel Brostrom, Dana Chenier, Erica Marshall, Sharon Domier, Alice Sears

Facility, Check-In, Briefings and Walk-Thrus

Move Ups accepted between each day and trial from A to B and to new class

Each trial limited to 65 runs Doors Open at 7 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday

General briefing will take place at 7:45am both Saturday and Sunday. Judges briefing and walk through for Trial 1, Level 1 will begin immediately following General Briefing each morning.

Friday Check-in and Set-up: Early check in will be available Friday evening from 4-7pm.

Trial Times: Both Saturday and Sunday, Level 1 runs will begin at 8:00AM.

Doors will be open at 7am each morning.

Dogs may be crated in the facility. Your car is easily accessed and working out of your car is an option. Chairs are available to competitors. Our training center accommodates a small number of spectators.

Judge's briefing and walk-thru will precede each class.

Misc: Move-ups will be allowed from day to day, both in level and class.

Fabulous all-day buffet of breakfast, lunch, & tea-time snacks will be available on site for a fee. Area restaurants and fast food are within a short driving distance of the trial site. Refrigerator and microwave are available for competitors use.

*Monadnock Humane Society will offer opportunities for trainers to become familiar with all levels of the WCRL signs and courses prior to our trial. Call us 603-352-9011 x206, or visit our website www.monadnockhumanesociety.org for class details.

Rally Run-thrus will be offered Friday evening (9/29/2017) from 4-7pm at the Training Center. Level 1 and 2 nested course will be set. \$10/dog for unlimited runs.

Directions to the Trial Site: Monadnock Humane Society (MHS) is located just south of Keene, NH 101 West Swanzey Road, Swanzey, NH 03446

*From southeast (Boston): Take route 128 North to 2 West. In Gardener, MA pick up Route 140 North to 12 North. Follow 12 North to the traffic light in Keene, NH (Agway on left/ Cocoplum Appliances on right). Turn left onto 9 West. At the next intersection, follow the rotary onto Route 10 South-3rd exit off the rotary. MHS is about one mile down Route 10 South on the right.

*From southwest (Springfield, MA): Take Route 91 North to Exit 28A (Northfield, MA). Turn right off the exit. At the "T" turn left onto Route 10 North. MHS is approximately 30 minutes on the left.

*From the west (VT): Take Route 9 East to Keene. Route 9 intersects with 10 & 101 at a large rotary. Follow signs onto Route 10 South. MHS is about one mile down Route 10 South on the right.

*From the east (NH): Follow Route 101 West, through the Route 12 intersection, to the traffic circle in Keene. Take 3rd exit off of circle to Route 10 South. MHS is about a mile down Route 10 South on the right.

Hotel/Motel Information:

Contact the businesses directly for current pet rules. Make your reservations early to ensure the best choice of hotel for your stay. Certain area events and seasons bring many visitors to our area, making hotel accommodations difficult to obtain. We suggest making hotel reservations early as FALL is a popular time for “leaf peeping”.

We Recommend: *The Best Western Plus Sovereign, 401 Winchester Street, Keene, NH (at the Junctions of Routes 9, 10 & 12) - (603) 357-3038, pets allowed (additional fees apply). Pool, in-hotel restaurant, breakfast
Mention the Monadnock Humane Society for the negotiated rate at this hotel which is less than 1 mile from our trial. There are some discount programs which may get you a lower rate-AAA, AARP, etc.

Other Keene hotels:

Days Inn Keene, 3 Ashbrook Road, Keene, NH, (603)352-9780, located in the Monadnock Plaza with Home Depot, \$20 pet fee per stay

Holiday Inn Express, 175 Key Road, Keene, NH (603) 352-7616, just off Winchester Street, pets allowed w/fee

The Courtyard by Marriott-Downtown Keene, 75 Railroad Street, Keene, NH (603) 354-7900, pets allowed w/fee
30 Main Street, Keene, NH (603) 357-7070 2-night minimum certain seasons. Pets allowed w/fee

***Brattleboro VT is approximately one half hour away and has a number of motels due to their location on Route 91.**
Consider checking out Brattleboro if you have trouble finding a hotel in Keene.



World Cynosport® Rally Obedience Description

For a complete description of the Rally rules, regulations, performance guidelines, explanation of exercises, etc. go to www.rallydogs.com. To learn more and get new ideas, you can join the “All Dogs” Rally chat list and talk to other World Cynosport® Rally enthusiasts by sending a message to RallyO-All-Dogs-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

You must be familiar with all the Rally exercise signs, as well as the Rally Rules and Guidelines prior to the event. Go to www.rallydogs.com for an explanation of each of the exercise signs and have fun practicing them with your dog.

World Cynosport Rally encourages participation by ALL dogs – purebred or mixed breed, pets or titled champions.

Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs in the ring using verbal praise, petting, and even food rewards just as they would in a good training session. The dogs must perform the exercises correctly and there should be a practiced smooth flow to the performance.

Rally courses, depending on the competition level, consist of 18 to 22 stations, laid out in a numbered pattern (like an agility course), performed on-leash in Level 1 or off-leash in Level 2 and Level 3 (Level 1 title is required to compete at Level 2, Level 2 title is required to compete at Level 3). Also like agility, handlers get to walk the course and familiarize themselves with the pattern without their dog before running the course. During their run, the dog and handler move through the course in heel position, performing each exercise in turn. The highest scores will be earned by teams who move smoothly through the course, completing each exercise accurately with a minimum of commands, and with high enthusiasm and good attitude. Praise and/or verbal encouragement upon completion of exercises are allowed, and extra commands during exercises are minimally penalized. Rally is fun and interesting to watch as the individual style of each team can really show through.

There are as many as 58 different skills, which might be seen in a Rally course, primarily variations on basic heel exercises and other Obedience skills.

This World Cynosport® Rally titling event will allow competitors a chance to earn legs or points toward WCRL titles. All breeds and mixed breeds are welcome to compete and World Cynosport® Rally is committed to encouraging positive training methods. For more information visit www.rallydogs.com

Puppy, Intro and Veterans Classes

Veteran Class Eligibility Based on Age and Weight (Effective July 1, 2017)

Veteran class is open to all dogs who meet the age and weight eligibility as set forth in the following table:

Dog's Weight	Dog's Minimum Age for Veteran Class
90 pounds or more	6 years
50 pounds and less than 90 pounds	7 years
Under 50 pounds	8 years

A Veteran Level course will consist of 12 exercises from any Level, plus Start, Finish and a Bonus Exercise from any Level. Please see the WCRL Rules and Guidelines for more info on Veterans Level regulations. **Veterans class is being offered on Saturday only- both Trial 1 and Trial 2.**

Puppy Level is open to all puppies between the age of 6 and 12 months with a valid WCRL/APDT/USDAA registration number. Please see the WCRL Rules and Guidelines Chapter 6 for more info on Puppy Level regulations.

Intro Class Option (Effective July 1, 2017) Intro class may be offered, at host's discretion, on the same course as Puppy Level. Intro class is open to dogs 6 months or older, but dogs who have earned the RL1 or higher are not eligible for placement awards, if offered, in this class. There is no separation of Intro class into A and B classes. • Titles: Any legs earned in Intro class in 2017 will be recorded, but Intro titles will not be issued until 2018.

Puppy and Intro class is being offered on Sunday only- both Trial 1 and Trial 2.

Puppy Level Note • Puppy Level (along with RLP and RLPX titles) will be continued until December 31, 2017, after which it will be discontinued and replaced by Intro class. If an RLP is not earned by end of 2017, any Qs earned toward the RLP will be converted to Intro Qs in 2018. (Puppy Level will be discontinued starting January 1, 2018)

Jump Heights

Jump Heights (Effective July 1, 2017) Dogs are not required to be measured the day of the trial or prior to judging. However, judges have the option to measure any dog prior to his/her performance if the dog appears to be entered in a group lower than might be indicated by his/her registered shoulder height. Jump heights may also be modified or the jump exercise excused entirely based on physical challenges (e.g. age, disability such as blindness, or use of a mobility device) that a particular dog may face.

The following table shows the recommended and minimum allowable jump heights based upon the dog's height at the withers. The selected jump height shall be indicated on the Entry Form. The "minimum allowable jump height" for each height category is the minimum height permitted without a Request for Modification being made. A handler may select a higher height at their sole discretion, but must have designated the height on the entry form

Height at Withers	Minimum Allowable Jump Height	Recommended Jump Height
. 12" or less	4"	4"
16" or less	4"	8"
20" or less	8"	12"
Over 20"	12"	16"

Level A & B Classes

Level A classes are for teams that have not yet completed their title at that level.

Level B classes are for teams that have already completed their title at that level.

Notice to Competitors

Exercise Amendments (Effective September 1, 2017)

Discontinued exercise: #44—Halt, Leave, Call Front While Running

New exercises allowed:

Veer 45° Right (174)

Veer 45° Left (176)

Mini-Spiral Right (182)

Mini-Spiral Left (184)

Figure 8 (186)

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of WCRL Rules and Regulations including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry:

- This trial is open to a dogs at least six months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season or dogs with disabilities, injuries, or illnesses which may cause the dog pain or great discomfort, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression that threaten the safety of other dogs or humans.
- All dogs must be registered with a World Cynosport Rally Limited (or previously APDT) or United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. to compete. We regret we cannot accept an entry without a valid WCRL/APDT /USDAA registration number. See www.rallydogs.com to register online or complete the form included in this premium list and submit with your entry or to the WCRL office. (APDT temporary # no longer permitted)
- All WCRL registration numbers are six (6) digits. If you have not logged into your WCRL account to find the WCRL registration number, the following conversion should be used: If your dog's # is R-08-0956, the WCRL # is 800956. If your dog's # is R-13-10956, the WCRL # is 810956, and if you were issued a temporary registration number by APDT, please contact the WCRL office at 972.487.2200, Ext 102 or groupServices@rallydogs.com.
- Dogs must be shown by a member of the owner's immediate family: mother, father, spouse, life partner, sibling, child, grandparent, or grandchild.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times. Handlers, through entry at this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.
- The organizing committee may refuse any entry for any reason.
- THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of reason for such dismissal. A dog or handler who suffers an injury and/or illness or bitches that come into season after the closing date may be eligible for a 50% refund of their total entry fee. Written request for refund must be made to the Trial Secretary BEFORE the end of the event, September 15th, 2017. Please provide documentation from your veterinarian/physician. There will be no refunds if the trial has to be cancelled for any reason.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$25.00 service charge for returned checks. Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of postmark of notice of returned check where notification is received after event date. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is cancelled without recourse by owner/handler.
- No entry fees will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers.
- All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, plain harness, or properly fitted martingale (limited slip) collar. No choke collar, prong collars, shock collars, no-pull harnesses, martingale leads, or head collars are allowed in the ring. Per-WCRL rules, choke collars and prong collars are not allowed on the trial site grounds on entered dogs.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to World Cynosport Rally Limited, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known and waive any and all rights relative thereto.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to World Cynosport Rally Limited, their representatives, agents, and assigns, hereby release WCRL, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.
- Competitors shall have the right to videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes without the express written consent of World Cynosport Rally Limited.

- Owners with disabilities are encouraged to compete. Any necessary modifications to the exercises must be provided by the handler to the judge and approved by the judge.
- Dogs with disabilities are allowed and encouraged to compete provided that the dog does not show evidence of being in pain or discomfort. Any necessary modifications to the exercises must be provided by the handler to the judge and approved by the judge.
- Upon successful completion of an exercise, the owner may choose to briefly pet or touch the dog as a reward. The owner may also choose to give the dog food as a reward. Food may NOT be used as a lure to help the dog complete an exercise. Food rewards must be contained in pockets and only be present in the owner's hand at the completion of any Stationary exercise. Any petting, touching, or feeding that significantly interrupts the flow of performance shall be scored accordingly. Veteran and Puppy classes allow food rewards to be used more liberally.
- Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on trial site grounds. Day kenneling only is permitted. **Crates may be left overnight at your own risk in crating area.**
- Please pick up after your dog and yourself.
- This event will be held indoors on **Top Dog** rubber flooring.

SAVE THE DATE

WCRL New Rules & Regulations, Signs and Skills Workshop

Monadnock Humane Society- Swanzey, NH

Sunday, September 24th

9:30am-3:00pm

Presenter: Ameer Abel, CPDT-KA, WCRL Judge

Includes: Q & A; New Signs & Skills; Scoring Guidelines; Changes in Course Design and Bonus Exercises; Coursework Practice

Learn the ins-and-outs of WCRL's new exercises, and updated regulations. Join WCRL Judge Ameer Abel for a day-long seminar that will prepare you for the changes coming to WCRL Rally beginning January 1, 2018.

You will have the opportunity understand how the new regulations will impact scoring and ask questions about performing new exercises.

In the afternoon, you will have a chance to try out Level 1, 2, and 3 courses that implement the new signs. Coached runthrus are a great way to get a feel for how changes to the regulations impact your experience of WCRL Rally.

Working spots limited: \$75

Auditing: \$35

training@humanecommunity.org to sign up



Official Entry Form: **September 30th - October 1st, 2017**

Monadnock Humane Society

Entries Open: July 31st, 2017

Entries Close: September 15th, 2017

Late entries may be accepted if space allows. No Day of Show Entries taken.

Return completed entry & payment to: Rachel Brostrom 4 Old Town Road, Ashburnham, MA 01430

Entry Fees payable to **Monadnock Humane Society**



Dog Information:

Call Name:	*WCRL or USDAA Registration # _____ or (old APDT Rally Registration Number) R- _____
Registered Name with World Cynosport® Rally:	
Circle Jump Height: Levels 2 and 3 only 4" 8" 12" 16"	WCRL/APDT Rally Titles already earned:
Dogs Date of Birth: (if known)	Breed:
*Dogs must have WCRL/APDT/USDAA registration number – not Temporary number. Valid entries must include a registration number. If your dog is not registered as above, go to www.rallydogs.com or use the Dog Registration Form in this premium.	

Owner/Handler Information:

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	E-Mail:	
Handler's Name (must be member of immediate family):		

Entries accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. E-mail confirmations will be sent out as soon as your entry has been received. Please make sure to include a valid E-mail address, or self-addressed postcard. Entries received after closing date will be accepted only if limits have not been reached.

Trial Entry and Fee Information

Indicate **A** – Titling Class or **B** – Championship Class for each level you enter.

Trial 1 – Saturday 9/30/17 at 8 am Judge: Ameer Abel	Trial 2 – Saturday 9/30/2017 at 1 pm Judge: Barb Burri
Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B Veterans: A or B	Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B Veterans: A or B
Trial 1 – Sunday 10/1/2017 at 8 am Judge: Nancy McDonald & Rachel Brostrom	Trial 2 – Sunday 10/1/2017 to follow Trial #1 Judges: Nancy McDonald & Rachel Brostrom
Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B Puppy: A or B Intro: Intro (no A or B)	Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B Puppy: A or B Intro: Intro (no A or B)

This entry is not valid unless the agreement on the following page of this form has been completed, signed, and dated. In order to be valid, entries must also be received with correct fees by the closing date at the address provided above.

Entries will be accepted by overnight mail only if the signature requirement has been waived.

Entry Fees Submitted:

Total Trial Entry Fees: \$25 per class (# of classes x \$25) OR \$22 per class if you have entered <u>4 or more</u> classes same dog (# of classes x \$22) Veterans and Puppy Class entries: \$20 per class	\$ _____
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Entry fees payable to **Monadnock Humane Society (MHS)**. If using a credit card, please see the following page.

New Title Information:

If you anticipate earning a new title at this trial, please let us know the title or titles you hope to earn at our trial:

RL1 RL2 RL3 RLP RLV ARCH ARCHX ARCHX ARCHMX RL1X RL2X RL3X RLPX RLVX

Other:

GENERAL AGREEMENT:

I (we) agree that the Monadnock Humane Society has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the hosting club, World Cynosport Rally Limited, including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death resulting at any time there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official Rally Rules and Regulations of World Cynosport Rally Limited and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Rally Test Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such finding shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid. Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am are a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the WCRL Rally rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club and WCRL, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner.

Further, I (we) hereby grant to World Cynosport Rally Limited, the Monadnock Humane Society, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. I (we) hereby release WCRL, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.

This signed Agreement must accompany your entry form.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

 If you are paying with a credit card, please complete the following information and your entry fee will be charged to your credit card. Please print clearly.

Circle One: **VISA** **MC** **Discover** **AMEX**

Account Number:		
Expiration Date:	Security Code:	Cardholders Name:
Cardholders Signature:		
Billing Address and Zip:		
TOTAL ENTRY FEES TO BE CHARGED TO YOUR CREDIT CARD: \$		